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TAGS: PFOR, US, UR
SUBJECT: SOVIET CONSULATE GENERAL OFFICIALS WARN
ABOUT US POSITION ON DISSIDENTS

1. DIRECTOR OF ASPEN INSTITUTE IN WEST BERLIN, SHEPHERD STONE, REPORTED TO MISSION THAT SOVIET CONSUL GENERAL IN WEST BERLOV, ACCOMPANIED BY SENIOR CONSUL KOSOBRODOV, MADE SPECIAL EFFORT TO PAY CALL ON HIM AND ASPEN DEPUTY DIRECTOR MARCH 22 TO DISCUSS AT LENGHT SUBJECT OF US POLICY VIS-A-VIS SOVIET DISSIDENTS. STONE SAID TWO SOVIETS SPENT CONSIDERABLE TIME REHASHING KNOWN SOVIET OBJECTIONS TO WESTERN SUPPORT FOR HUMAN REIGHTS CAMPAIGN IN SOVIET UNION, AND SPOKE IN GENERALTERMS ABOUT HOW THIS POLICY CREATES PROBLEMS. AFTER COVERING THIS GROUND AT SOME LENGTH TOW SOVIETS THEN CAME TO WHAT STONE FELT WAS MAIN PURPOSE OF VISIT. ACCORDING TO STONE, BOTH MEN PRACTICALLY PLEADED WITH HIM TO SOMEHOW GET MESSAGE ACROSS TO APPROPRIATE US OFFICIALS THAT SECRETARY VANCE MUST NOT CALL ON SAKROV OR HAVE PERSONAL CONTACT WITH ANY OTHER DISSIDENTS WHEN HE VISITS MOSCOW OR ELSE THER WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY BE A SERIOUS DISRUPTION OF US-SOVIET RELATIONS.

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2. STONE TOLD MISSION OFFICER THAT HE SUSPECTS TWO SENIOR SOVIET CONSULATE GENERAL OFFICIALS BELIEVE STONE HAS OFFICIAL OR QUASI-OFFICIAL ROLE TO PLAY IN WEST BERLIN, AND THEY EXPECTED HIM TO PASS ON THEIR MESSAGE TO US GOVERNMENT EITHER THROUGH THE MISSION OR DIRECTLY TO SENIOR US OFFICIALS, INCLUDING SECRETARY

VANCE, WHOM SONTE SAYS HE KNOWS PERSONALLY.

3. ALTHOUGH MEMBERS OF SOVIET CONSULATE GENERAL
HAVE ON OCCASION (EVEN PRIOR TO THE INAUGURATION)
VOICED THEIR CONCERN TO MISSION OFFICERS ABOUT PRESENT
US ADMINISTRATION'S POLICY ON SOVIET DISSIDENTS,
THIS IS THE FIRST OCCASION WE KNOW OF WHERE A SPECIAL
EFFORT WAS MADE TO DELIVER A "MESSAGE" TO US, IF EVEN
BY INDIRECT CHANNELS. GEORGE

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